

invitation unless it should seem more advisable to hold our meeting on the South Side, at the University, where the general meetings will likely be held.

One of our greatest difficulties in the past has been too much delay in completing the meeting arrangements. We are glad, therefore, to note a tendency on the part of prospective hosts to extend an invitation a couple of years in advance. In fact, Nashville repeated the invitation annually for three years in advance of the first meeting held there. When we meet with the A. A. S. a local invitation is not necessary, but is appreciated nevertheless. In recent years our meetings have been well attended, and our programs have been excellent, amply repaying those in attendance. We also believe that the meetings stimulate local interest in our field of scientific work. Our territory is extensive, and it is to our advantage to place the meetings in all parts of it.

THE ANNUAL MEETING AT ANN ARBOR

THE DATES of the annual meeting have been set for the two days following Thanksgiving Day, namely, November 30 and December 1, at Ann Arbor, Michigan. The sessions will be held in the new building of the Museum of Zoology of the University of Michigan.

It is expected that the two days will be devoted to the formal programs, and if any field work is done, it will probably be on December 2. Considerable time will be desired by many of those in attendance for an inspection of the magnificent new Museum Building in which our meetings will be held.

In June of the present year the University of Michigan completed and opened a new and large building for the Museum of Zoology. This building is undoubtedly one of the finest in the country for museum purposes. The W. O. C. may consider it a real privilege and honor to be one of the first among the scientific societies to hold a meeting here. Much of the credit for the new Museum belongs to Dr. Alexander G. Ruthven, Director of the Museum, and also recently made Dean of Administration of the University.

There are several reasons for believing that the Ann Arbor meeting will be unusually well attended. In the first place we have forty-six members in Michigan, and we expect them all to attend. Ann Arbor is easily reached from points in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, and we expect a little better than the usual attendance from these states. There will undoubtedly be some representation from the south and from west of the Mississippi River. In addition, the Inland Bird Banding Association will hold its annual meeting at the same time. So we confidently believe that our next meeting will have a larger attendance than any previous one. The officers will soon be at work on the program, and we urge our members to make an early report to the Secretary concerning any contribution to the program.